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**Question 17:** Will DOE provide clean electronic files of the drawings and figures reproducible at larger scales so that the offeror can read the data, measure distances and calculate quantities?

**Answer:** The files provided are the only available kinds of drawings and figures. The documents are capable of being enlarged for viewing and printing at a larger scale in their current form. Please provide additional information regarding the nature of the problem. DOE will be providing additional HVAC drawings via an amendment to the solicitation.

**Question 18: Reference:** Section L.29(h) Proposal Instructions General -Page Description, "Foldouts of charts, tables, diagrams or design drawings shall not exceed 11 x 17 inches. Foldout pages shall fold entirely within the volume. Page margins for the foldouts shall be a minimum of one inch at the top, bottom and each side. Foldouts may only be used in the Technical Volume for schedules and may be used in the Cost Volume for schedules, large tables, charts, graphs, diagrams and other schematics."

**Question:** There is potential to effectively make use of 11x17-inch tables, charts, graphs, and diagrams in the Technical Volume. Please clarify whether Offerors may use these in the Technical Volume with each counting as 2 pages or are total prohibited from using 11x17- inch formats for these uses (other than schedules)?

**Answer:** Offerors may **not** use foldouts in the Technical Proposal, Volume II for tables, charts, graphs, or diagrams (other than schedules). <u>Foldouts may only be used in the Technical Volume</u> [Volume II] for schedules.

**Question 19:** Is Arial Narrow a permissible font?

**Answer:** Arial Narrow is not a permissible font type; Arial or Times New Roman font types are permissible font types. Section L.29 (h) states "Graphs, tables and spreadsheets where necessary must be 10 point or larger Arial or Times New Roman font type. All other text must be typed using 12 point (or larger), single-spaced, and using Arial or Times New Roman font type."

**Question 20: Reference**: Section L.32 (8) a. Cost Worksheets, Schedule 1, 2, 3 of Attachment L-5 and Attachment L-3 (2.0 Performance Requirements-"period of performance is not to exceed thirty months")

**Question:** Attachment L-5, Schedules 1, 2, 3 only have columns for FY 2010 and FY 2011. Based on an October 1, 2009 start date and the 30-month duration, should there be a column for FY 2012 on schedules 1, 2 and 3?

**Answer:** The solicitation will be amended. Attachment L-5, Cost Templates and Instructions will be revised to add FY2012 to the Schedules.

**Question 21:** The Sample Task period of performance is 30 months (L-3 pg 1 of 36, Section 2) but only 24 months are included on the Attachment L-5, Schedule 1 worksheet (FY2010, FY2011). Are we allowed to modify the L-5 spreadsheets to include appropriate columns for costs in all fiscal years in which work is performed?

**Answer:** The solicitation will be amended. Attachment L-5, Cost Templates and Instructions will be revised to add FY2012 to the Schedules.

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**Question 22:** Attachment L-3: Please provide pricing assumptions for services normally expected to be acquired through the local DOE or M&O contractor such as dosimetry and bioassay.

**Answer:** Reference L-3: Pricing assumptions will not be provided. For purposes of the sample task, the offeror should assume that neither DOE nor the M&O Contractor will be providing dosimetry and/or bioassay services. If such is necessary, the offeror is to propose how it will provide the services and the cost of the services.

**Question 23:** Attachment L-5 and L-6: Please clarify that the hidden worksheets are or are not to be included in the cost proposal.

**Answer:** Hidden worksheets were included in Attachments L-5 and L-6 in error and should not be included in the cost proposal. The solicitation will be revised formally through an amendment to exclude the hidden worksheets.

**Question 24:** Attachment L-3, Sample Task: What is the height of building at tallest point? I know 2-stories but need total height for equipment sizing.

**Answer:** Attachment L-3, Sample Task, Supplemental Figure 1: The height of the building at its tallest point is 28 ft. 8 in., excluding the cooling tower which is an additional 12 ft. 9 in. in height (total height with cooling tower is 41 ft. 5 in.). Supplemental Figure 1 can be viewed on the Set-Aside RFP page.

**Question 25:** Attachment L-3, Sample Task: Are there any basements, tunnels, drains that will hamper equipment movement?

**Answer:** Attachment L-3, Sample Task: The building has a subgrade floor that includes a tunnel (see floor plan on provided as-built drawing, Supplemental Figure 7). Offerors are to assume that there are no drains external to the building that will hamper equipment movement. Supplemental Figure 7 can be viewed on the Set-Aside RFP page.

**Question 26:** Attachment L-3, Sample Task: Are there any expansion joints in the building that would allow building "separation" to allow clean demo to progress while work in the FSMHF to continue concurrently.

**Answer:** No, offerors are to assume there are no expansion joints.

**Question 27:** Attachment L-3, Sample Task: In section 5.1, the last paragraph, last sentence states "sampling has not found evidence of lead based paint within the MRB including the FSMHF" Have any other hazardous constituents been found in the paint samples?

**Answer:** Offerors are to assume that the paint has no hazardous constituents (including but not limited to lead and PCBs).

**Question 28:** Attachment L-3, Sample Task: In section 5.1, the last paragraph states that" The offeror should assume that 200,000 sq ft of tile and mastic need to be removed from the MRB." Is there any evidence of any other ACM being present in facility? Such as steam pipe insulation?

**Answer:** Offerors are to assume that no other ACM is present.

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**Question 29:** Attachment L-3, Sample Task: In section 5.1, the first paragraph states "there is an underlying below grade tunnel and storage area...." Provide description and purpose of tunnel along with dimensions.

**Answer:** As depicted on provided as-built drawing, Supplemental Figure 7, the tunnel is approximately 12 ft. wide and approximately 101 feet long and houses the steam lines and chilled water lines. Supplemental Figure 7 can be viewed on the Set-Aside RFP page.

**Question 30:** Attachment L-3, Sample Task, Section 5.2, page 8 of 36, the 4<sup>th</sup> paragraph, discusses external shield doors 1, 2, 3 and 10. What is the composition of remaining doors?

**Answer:** Attachment L-3, Sample Task, Section 5.2: The six interior shielding doors are made primarily of steel.

<u>Questions 31</u>: Would DOE consider adding DEAR 970.5231-4 (Preexisting Conditions) to Section I of the RFP to provide an equitable allocation of liability between the contractors and DOE with regard to pre-existing conditions, which includes HAZMAT that may be encountered during performance of task orders. Without inclusion of this clause, contractors will be required to purchase insurance to attempt to cover these risks and the additional costs will be included in contractors' costs of performance and fixed price bids.

**Answer:** The solicitation will be amended to include DEAR 970.5231-4 Preexisting Conditions (Alternate II) in Section I Contract Clauses.

Question 32: Please insert FAR 52.236-2 (Differing Site Conditions) into Section I. Inclusion of this clause is critical for contractors to offer competitive fixed prices and to perform future fixed price task orders. Inclusion of 52.236-2 will give contractors a basic remedy granting clause for equitable adjustment in cost/schedule when a differing site condition is encountered during performance, which is highly likely given the DD&R scopes of work to be performed on aged facilities.

**Answer:** The solicitation will be amended to include FAR 52.236-2 Differing Site Conditions in Section I Fixed Price clauses.